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- 1. AMBASSADOR ASKED AHMED ZAKI YAMANI IF HE HAD RECEIVED REQUEST TO SPEAK TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS EXECUTIVES IN NEW ORLEANS. HE HAD. AMBASSADOR COMMENTED THAT IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD FORUM AND YAMANI SHOULDPROBABLY ACCEPT IF HE COULD.
- 2. YAMANI SAID HE HAD ALSO RECEIVED AN INVITATION TO SPEAK TO A "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR" GROUP ON APRIL 14 (HE WAS NOT VERY EXPLICIT ABOUT THIS); HE SAID THAT PRESIDENT FORD WOULD SPEAK THE PRECEDING DAY AND SECRETARY KISSINGER WOULD FOLLOW HIM THE SAME DAY. HE THOUGHT THIS SEEMED AN EVEN MORE PRESTIGIOUS GATHERING.
- 3. YAMANI SAID HE COULD NOT SPEAK TO BOTH GROUPS BUT WAS INCLINING TO THE "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR." HE ASKED IF IT WERE TRUE THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY WERE BOTH PLANNING TO SPEAK TO THAT GROUP; IF THEY WERE, HE WOULD TOO.
- 4. ACTION REQUESTED: ARE PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER SPEAKING TO ANY "CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR" GROUP IN MID-APRIL? LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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